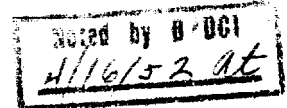


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March 31, 1952



MEMORANDUM FOR MR. DULLES

Dear Allen:

At the request of Frank Wisner I am transmitting herewith a copy for your files of the President's letter to Gordon Gray, which I have obtained from Bill Hopkins of the White House.

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JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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U. S. Naval Station
Key West, Florida

March 27, 1952

Dear Gordon:

I am writing you personally to acknowledge your letter of 22 February 1952 and to thank you for your report on the organization and work of the Psychological Strategy Board.

It is gratifying to learn from your letter that the Board has made real progress toward the development of a concerted, successful psychological effort within the Government through the cooperation of the Board members and the Government agencies concerned.

Your report will be most useful to me and to the Board. The Board members and others who have given it detailed study are impressed by it, and I am giving careful consideration to the specific recommendations you have made.

After very careful thought, I have concluded that it would be inadvisable to publish the report, itself, at this time because of some of the sensitive material involved. However, I think that an early occasion may be found for my making a statement which will use the most significant parts of the report. It may well become timely in the present world situation to restate and clarify the underlying principles, the scope and vigorous nature of our psychological effort and the task ahead as you describe it.

I must take this opportunity again to express my sincere thanks for what you have done in the organization of the Board and in leading its development and early work. I know that you are continuing as a part-time consultant to the Board and its Director and I also want to feel free to call upon you on matters relating to our strategic programs.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgd) HARRY S. TRUMAN

The Honorable Gordon Gray
President

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